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SUBJECT: OU 7-13/14 Comprehensive RI/FS - Transmittal of In Situ Thermal Desorption
Treatability Study Work Plan - (OPE-ER-47-99)

Dear Messrs. Poeton and Winter:

Enclosed please find the draft In Situ Thermal Desorption Treatability Study Work Plan. This document outlines our proposed approach to obtain implementability and performance data on this technology. Please review the document and provide comments to strengthen the treatability study. As we have discussed, your willingness to provide comments within three weeks (on or before April 21, 1999) would expedite the project. If for any reason this schedule becomes untenable, please call and we will make other arrangements.

As you are aware, a number of safety analyses are ongoing. The results of these activities will support the treatability study design. Detailed design of tests, equipment, and procedures will be documented in the test plan and, with your concurrence, may alter some of the information presented in this Work Plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alan T. Jines", is written over a horizontal line.

Alan T. Jines, P.E.
WAG 7 Manager